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VIA ECF

The Honorable Lewis A. Kaplan, U.S.D.J. United States District Court Southern District of New York Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: Carroll v. Trump

Civil Case No.: 1:20-cv-7311-LAK-JLC

Dear Judge Kaplan:

This office represents the defendant, former President Donald J. Trump ("Defendant"), in the above-referenced action. I write in connection with Defendant's letter motion to stay (the "Motion") (ECF Nos. 92-94) which has fully-briefed and is currently pending before the Court.

As noted by both sides in their motion papers, the parties have numerous depositions scheduled between today and Wednesday, October 19. While Defendant remains ready and eager to sit for his deposition, we believe that it would be a waste of the parties' time and resources to engage in such intensive discovery proceedings while a motion to stay is pending and a dispositive issue is yet to be resolved.

Given the time-sensitive nature of this issue, we would respectfully request that Your Honor set a telephonic conference with the parties at the earliest available time to discuss the status of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: All Counsel of Record (via ECF)